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Examiner: J. R. Lund

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF**  
**REQUEST FOR REFUND**  
**(IMPROPER CHARGE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT)**

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Madam:

**I. REFUND REQUEST**

This is a request for a refund with respect to the charge to Deposit Account 02-2448 shown on the statement for the month of 0209 for the above-identified

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☐ A copy of the monthly statement in which the error referred to occurs, accompanies this request.

**II. FEES CHARGED FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED**

**AMOUNT OF  
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REQUESTED**

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TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED

\$490.00

## III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

After an audit of Applicants representative's files for the instant application, it was discovered that an improper extension of time was charged to representative's Deposit Account February 18,

2009. A copy of the Deposit Account information is attached hereto. **Applicants representative received a REPLACEMENT Non-Final Office Action dated September 9, 2008**, which was timely replied to on December 8, 2009. The Replacement Non-Final Office Action dated September 9, 2009 took the place of the IMPROPER Final Office Action mailed July 29, 2009. Please see a copy of the electronic file wrapper attached hereto for further clarification. Applicant's representative respectfully requests that the Office reconsider the denial of the Request for Refund dated July 10, 2009 based on the above information.


IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Account No. 02-2448.

We respectfully request that the attached copy of this letter be returned to us with an indication that the credit has been processed.

Dated: **August 26, 2009**

Respectfully submitted,

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10/582,983 Plasma processing apparatus

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